

Our 1977-78 lecture series got off to a successful start on September 8, with Dr. Spence's talk on Teotihuacan. The meeting was well attended, and those present were treated to a vividly illustrated tour of this huge pre-Columbian Mexican city. He spoke on a variety of specific topics, including the periods of pyramid construction, political developments in the Valley of Mexico between 150 B.C. and 750 A.D., the obsidian trade, Teotihuacan influence among the Maya, and the social organization of the city. An interesting topic, combined with often amusing survey anecdotes, provided a pleasant and educational evening.

EXECUTIVE REPORT

The September 20 meeting was attended by our full executive and proved most productive. First on the agenda was the Ohio field trip. George Connoy reported that 32 people had registered, resulting in a decision to continue with original plans for a large bus and hotel accommodations. George also indicated that the final paper work had been completed in the transfer of the Chapter's funds from a London to a St. Thomas bank.

Next, a discussion ensued concerning the choice of speakers for this season, and a list of seven candidates was drafted. Norah McWilliam has proceeded to contact these people by mail in order to confirm speaking dates. Dr. David Stothers of the University of Toledo (a Canadian archaeologist working in the U.S. !) has already agreed to address our November 10 meeting on the topic of *"New Perspectives on the Iroquoian Co-Tradition."*

During our last monthly meeting, Mr. Rudy Fecteau agreed to become our liaison person with Arch Notes; providing their editor with information concerning Chapter meetings and events. The executive confirmed the appointment on September 20 and look forward to Rudy's energetic assistance! Perhaps he will even provide a few of his cartoons for KEWA.

The meeting, led by Charles Nixon, discussed ways of both "livening up" our monthly get together and encouraging communication between Chapter members. One proposed answer was to serve coffee starting at 7:30 P.M. and establish an informal "show and tell" session prior to the business section of the meeting. Each month, a person or group would be requested to bring a selection of material representing past or present field work in Southwestern Ontario. Our October meeting will feature a display of artifacts recovered by Mr. George Connoy.

Finally, it was decided to set a regular date for Chapter executive meetings. All future meetings of the present executive will be held at 7:00 P.M. on the last Monday of each month. This should provide adequate time for the production of KEWA prior to Chapter monthly meetings.

OHIO FIELD TRIP OCT. 21-23, 1977

While the initial response has been excellent, allowing confirmation of both the bus rental and the reservation of hotel rooms, there are still a number of seats available. We urge you to tell your friends and to sign up if you have not already. The scenery and sites are spectacular. Let's make this a financial, as well as an educational and social success!

For those who already plan to attend, the bus will be leaving from 55 Centre Street in London at 5:00 P.M. on Friday, October 21. This departure point was chosen due to the large free parking area available beside the Ministry of Culture and Recreation office. Stops will be made, if necessary, to pick up passengers from Windsor and Toledo.



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MEETING NOTICE

Mr. Rudy Fecteau, who is presently employed as a palaeobotanist with the Museum of Indian Archaeology at Western, will present a slide illustrated talk entitled "*Field and Laboratory Methods Used in Archaeo-botany*", on October 13. As usual, our meeting will be held in Rm. 344 of Talbot College, and will commence at 8:00 P.M. Rudy has recently completed his "apprenticeship" with Dr. J.A. McAndrews of the Royal Ontario Museum, with whom he is co-authoring a handbook on Ontario archaeo-botany.